

and the President requested to appoint a member to prepare an obituary notice of the deceased.

An obituary notice of Dr. Robert Bridges was read by Dr. Ruschenberger.

Mr. Blodget described the transfer of certain manufacturing industries from England to Philadelphia.

Sections of the Anthracite Coal Measures, recently executed by the Geological Survey of the State, were exhibited.

Dr. Frazer exhibited copies of prehistoric hieroglyphs, found in the Puérco San Antonio, Coahuila, Mexico, 25 S. E. of Coahuila, not previously described, sharply cut. Also, his discovery of a granite sacrificial stone, of great weight and age, lying sixty or seventy miles distant from any rock of that kind in the region. Size, 5', 6" by 3', and 4' high; shape peculiarly curved; edges full of fine sharp serrations; weight at least five and a half net tons. A natural ravine cut in the stone would allow the blood to flow off without overflowing the stone. The locality is a narrow mountain pass, which has a history both ancient and modern.

The minutes of the last meeting of the Board of Officers were read and their consideration postponed.

The Committee on Aztec MSS. reported progress.

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*Stated Meeting, March 7, 1884.*

Present, 12 members.

Vice-President, ELI K. PRICE, in the Chair.

Mr. Lehman, Mr. Isaac Burk and Professor Pancoast were introduced to the presiding officer, and took their seats.

Acceptance of membership was reported from Dr. Ellerslie Wallace, Dr. J. Solis Cohen and Lord Coleridge.

Letters of acknowledgment were received from Le Ministère des travaux publics (Annales des Mines), February 4



(XVI, i; want XIV, ii, and 97 and 100); the Society of Natural Science, Cherbourg, January 31 (113; want 16, 37, 46); the Royal Institution, London, February 2 (XVI, i, 113); the Society of Antiquaries, London, February 20 (XVI, i, 113); the University Library, Cambridge, February 14 (113); Radcliffe Observatory, March 7 (XVI, i, 113); Cambridge Philosophical Library, February 11 (XIII, i; XIV, ii; XVI, i, 62, 71-3, 113); Essex Institute (114); New Hampshire Historical Society, Concord (114); American Antiquarian Society, Worcester, Mass. (114); Brown University (114); Connecticut Historical Society (114); W. P. Blake, New Haven (114); University of the City of New York (114); Prof. J. J. Stevenson (114); Astor Library (114); United States Military Academy (114); Chemical Society, University Building, Washington Square, New York (114); New Jersey Historical Society (114); Historical Society of Pennsylvania (114); Numismatic and Antiquarian Society of Philadelphia (114); Mr. Henry Phillips, Jr. (114); Prof. Thomas C. Porter, Easton, Pa. (114); Wyoming Historical and Geological Society (114); Rev. Joseph A. Murray, D.D., Carlisle, Pa. (114); Asaph Hall, Washington (114); Theo. Gill, Washington (114); William B. Taylor, Washington, D. C. (114); J. M. Hart, Cincinnati (114), and the University of Michigan (114).

Letters of envoy were received from the Philosophical Society, Washington; the Netherlands Legation and Henry B. Dawson, of Morrisania, N. Y.

Donations to the Library were reported from the Asiatic Society of Japan; the Society at Wiesbaden; Royal Academy, Brussels; Flora Batava; Royal Academy, Rome; Geographical Society, Bordeaux; Geographical and Ethnographical Societies at Paris; *Revue Politique*; *Congrès des Orientalistes*; Royal Astronomical Society and London Nature; Geological Survey of Canada; Essex Institute; B. S. Lyman, of Northampton, Mass.; Museum of Comparative Zoölogy; Harvard University; Prof. Henry Draper; Boston Society of Natural History; *Science Record*; *American Journal of Science*; Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences; Franklin Institute;



American Journal of Pharmacy; Pennsylvania Magazine; American Bar Association; Mercantile Library, Philadelphia; Haverford College; Wyoming Historical and Geological Society; Second Geological Survey of Pennsylvania; Pennsylvania Secretary of Internal Affairs; Richard Vaux, of Philadelphia; American Journal of Mathematics; United States Light-house Board; Bureau of Education; Dr. Hayden's Geological Survey; Colonel Charles W. Whittlesey; American Antiquarian Society, Chicago; Richard Mansill, Rock Island; the University of Michigan; Wisconsin State Historical Society; and the San Francisco Mercantile Library Association.

A letter from Mr. Jedediah Hotchkiss, Staunton, Va., was read, requesting permission to have photographs taken of the plates of the Natural Bridge from DeChastellux's Travels in North America; the photographing to be done in the rooms of the society. On motion, the request was granted.

The death of Prof. George Englemann, at St. Louis, February 11, aged seventy-five, was announced.

Mr. Lesley was appointed to prepare an obituary notice of Professor Guyot.

Professor Cope read a paper entitled, On the structure of the skull in the Elasmobranch genus *Didymodus*.

Mr. Ashburner presented some notes "On aneroid hypsometry," and exhibited a self-registering field instrument.

Mr. Hotchkiss explained his request regarding pictures of the Natural Bridge, and spoke of the fine photographs recently made of it by order of Mr. Kemble, 333 Walnut street, Philadelphia.

Pending nominations, Nos. 1012, 1013, and new nominations, Nos. 1014, 1015, were read.